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Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Organization of work.
4. Consideration of the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction, in particular, together and as a whole, marine genetic resources, including questions on the sharing of benefits, measures such as area-based management tools, including marine protected areas, and environmental impact assessments, capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology, within the process initiated by the General Assembly in its resolution 66/231 and taking into account the discussions at the meeting of the Working Group in 2012, as well as the input of the intersessional workshops held pursuant to paragraph 182 of Assembly resolution 67/78.
5. Identification of gaps and ways forward with a view to ensuring an effective legal framework for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction, within the process initiated by the General Assembly in its resolution 66/231 and in the light of paragraph 162 of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled "The future we want", and paragraph 181 of Assembly resolution 67/78.
6. Consideration and adoption of recommendations to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session.
7. Other matters.
8. Closure of the meeting.

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